CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: 15225.mp4

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1700193.003

Medium: Computer Moving Image File

Director: Not applicable

Producer: Not applicable

Country of origin: New Zealand

Language: Mandarin

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 25 May 2017

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 25 May 2017

	Components	Running time
Timed component(s):	15225.mp4	3:30
Total running time:		3:30

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer moving image file is one in a sequence of videos depicting the brutalisation of an animal for sexual purposes, and therefore promotes and supports acts of torture and the infliction of extreme violence and cruelty under s3(2)(f) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act). The classification of objectionable interferes with the right to freedom of expression as affirmed by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications which promote and support matters under s3(2) of the FVPC Act are deemed to be objectionable.